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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT : Gerd SCHMITZ et al.  
SERIAL NO. : 09/786,635  
FILED : : March 7, 2001  
FOR : ATP BINDING CASSETTE GENES AND PROTEINS FOR DIAGNOSIS  
AND TREATMENT OF LIPID DISORDERS AND INFLAMMATORY  
DISEASES  
ART UNIT : To be assigned  
EXAMINER : To be assigned

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**COMMUNICATION RE: FILING OF DECLARATION ON  
A DATE LATER THAN THE FILING DATE OF THE APPLICATION**

Sir:

This is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 dated April 5, 2001, in the above-identified application. A copy of said Notification is attached hereto.

Submitted herewith is the Declaration executed by the inventors. It is requested that this paper be joined up with the papers previously filed in this Application.

Applicant is:

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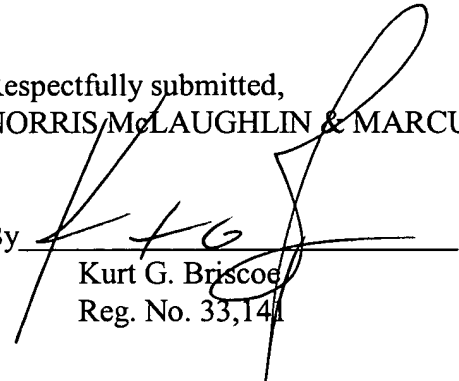
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